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North Side, last trip 10:30 " "

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South Side.....3:30 " "
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NOW COMES PORKLESS DAY

STATE TO BE CANVASSED IN
JANUARY IN FOLLOW-UP
CAMPAIGN.

Food Administrator Prescott and
Dean White Give Details of
New Food Conservation
Program.

"Plans are practically completed," said Food Administrator George A. Prescott Monday, "for a state-wide follow-up canvass of the Hoover pledge card campaign of last October, when nearly four hundred thousand Michigan households were voluntarily pledged to the conservation program of the U. S. Food Administration. Dean Georgia L. White of the Home Economics Department of the Michigan Agricultural College and a member of the Executive committee of our state organization, will be in charge of the supplemental campaign in which she will be assisted by Mrs. Eben Mumford of East Lansing," said Mr. Prescott.

DEAN WHITE OUTLINES PLANS.

"In continuing the work initiated by the household registration campaign during October, it is hoped by the Food Administration to do four things," said Miss White.

"First. To distribute during the week of January 6-12 another kitchen card bearing a personal message from Mr. Hoover to every woman who signed the pledge card in October, telling her the conditions in Europe and America that make more intensified food conservation necessary and indicating ways in which the housewife can give further assistance. With this kitchen card will be included two folders from Washington containing menus, and at least one folder published by the Food Administration in Michigan with material aimed to assist the housewife in carrying out the plans outlined by Mr. Hoover.

"Second. To secure the co-operation of as many families as possible not reached by the former drive, in order that the literature may be given to them also. Pledge cards and window cards will be supplied and upon signature of the pledge card, the new material will be given to these homes.

"Third. To effect a relatively permanent organization through which the Food Administration may, at subsequent times, if it is necessary, easily and quickly reach the homes.

"Fourth. To devise some means of determining for each county how far families are actually conforming to the plans for meatless and wheatless meals, and to the general requests for the use of substitutes for wheat, sugar, ham, bacon and animal fats. It is realized that this is a difficult thing to do, but it is hoped that some means of measuring results can be worked out: by weekly reports in the churches; by the co-operation of parent teachers' associations or other organizations in recording conditions in their own families; by working out for one's own town or county, a statement showing the saving that should be effected, according to the population, through the observance of meatless and wheatless meals, and making an effort to find out from the grocers, from statements of interested families in different classes in the community, or in other ways how far the saving in the community is approximating this estimate."

PORKLESS DAY TO BE ADDED.

In addition to the present wheatless and meatless days the government will request in the new campaign the observance of a porkless day once a week. The Federal instructions which will be distributed in all the hotels, restaurants and homes of Michigan between January 6 and 12 gives the following definition of the newly created porkless day:

"One porkless day each week in addition to Tuesday, which shall be Saturday. By porkless we mean no fresh or salted pork, bacon, lard or ham."

The new pledge card of the Food Administration gives the following revised interpretation of the existing wheatless and meatless days:

"One wheatless meal each week and one wheatless meal each day; the wheatless day to be Wednesday. By wheatless we mean to eat no wheat products.

"One meatless day each week which shall be Tuesday and one meatless meal each day. By meatless we mean to eat no red meat—beef, pork, mutton, veal, lamb; no preserved meat—beef, bacon, ham or lard."

In addition to these revised instructions Mr. Hoover is making an appeal for a more deliberate conservation of sugar and molasses:

"We will make every endeavor to see that the country is provided with a supply of household sugar on the basis of three pounds of sugar for each person per month. Do not consume more."

This extension campaign will be in charge of the county organizations.

New line of heating stoves just arrived. Prices right. Open evenings. 12-20-17

Mercy Hospital Graduate Given State Certificate.

Detroit, Mich.
Dec. 19, 1917

Editor Avalanche:

I wish to greet all my Grayling friends through your assistance, by announcing my appreciation of the kindness shown me during my training at Mercy Hospital.

Since finishing my special course at the Children's Free hospital, I have been engaged in private nursing in this city, where we have a broad field to work in.

I am always proud to say that I trained in Grayling, and wish that everyone could appreciate the splendid work done by the Medical staff and the Sisters of Mercy, towards their patients and pupil nurses.

Enclosed is a letter from The Michigan State Board, which places me on the level with nurses from any school.

I join with former graduates in saying that I am proud of having attended training school in your city, and wish future classes increasing success.

Sincerely yours,

Helen A. Rivard.

MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

Lansing, Mich.
Dec. 12, 1917.

Helen A. Rivard,
Detroit, Mich.
My dear Madam:

I wish to inform you that as the result of your recent examination before the State Board of Registration of Nurses, you were granted a registration certificate.

Your certificate will be mailed to you as soon as the work of engraving same can be done.

Very truly yours,

Harriet Leck, R. N.,
Secretary.

In Virginia Engineers Camp.

From—
Clarence Byrnes who during the past 4 or 5 years has worked for Salling Hanson Co. and R. Hanson & Sons, as scaler, etc. His brother John is with the artillery stationed at Waco Dec. 12, 1917

Fred R. Welsh,
Grayling, Mich.
Dear Cousin—
You may think I have been a long time writing, but we have been a busy bunch. Went to Bay City Dec. 4 Examined and sent to Detroit next day with four others. Held over night there and examined once more, sent to Columbus barracks and here is where we all began to suffer from the cold. We were put in a cold shack to sleep after an ice bath and started in for another examination next morning and I must tell you first that there are thousands coming from all over the U. S. everyday, and thousands are sent to the different camps over the whole country. I envy those going to Texas and other southern states. That night they had a turn of heart and put us in the barracks which is a building with walls of brick about three feet thick, built in 1864 and holds about fifteen hundred beds. There are three such barracks and I did not have time to count the canteen camps for it made me shiver to look at them. Well Monday morning we packed and went to the station. Here I parted with two fine fellows who were in the 23rd Engineers. They went over the B. O. to Annapolis Jct.

We went over the Pa. to Washington by way of Pittsburg, Harrisburg and Baltimore. The weather is so bad and cold it took twenty-four hours to make the trip. But it is not so cold here—a little snow last night. Can hear crows. But the camp was a cold shed last night so they loaded us on a boat this morning and came to Belvoir, Va. fifteen miles from Washington to a nice little camp in the woods. Address Co. A, 5 Bat., 20 Eng. A. U., Washington, D. C.

Cia rence

NO REASON FOR IT.

When Grayling Citizens Show a Way.

There can be no reason why any reader of this who suffers the tortures of an aching back, the annoyance of urinary disorders, the pains and dangers of kidney ills will fail to heed the words of a neighbor who has found relief. Read what a Grayling citizen says:

Niels H. Neilsen, carpenter, Park St., says: "I had trouble with my back and kidneys for several years. My back ached constantly and was so stiff I could hardly bend over. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage, too. I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Lewis' Drug Store, and they did me more good than anything else I had ever used. They rid me of the attack in a short time."

Price 60 cents, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Neilsen had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs. Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

Methodist Episcopal Church Notes

Services are held in the "Danabod" every Sunday. Morning service at 9:30 o'clock. Evening at 7:00 o'clock

PASTMASTERS NIGHT.

Former Officers of Grayling Lodge
F. & A. M. Confer Third
Degree.

There was a big time in Grayling Lodge 356, F. & A. M. last week Thursday night when the past masters of the lodge had been called to officiate.

The occasion was responded to joyfully by the members generally and was an event that will go down into the history of the order in Grayling.

To fill the chair of Worshipful master that grand old man John J. Coventry of Ortonville Oakland county was fittingly selected. He came all the way from his home to be present at this meeting, and officiated in a most delightful manner.

The other officers were filled as follows:

Geo. Mahon, S. W.; R. D. Connine, J. W.; William Woodfield, S. D.; Melven A. Bates and Frank Freeland, Stewards, and Adelbert Taylor, secretary, all of whom are past masters of Grayling lodge.

Before the conferring of the third degree upon A. L. Phelps, and Jesse Sales, a past-master's apron, was presented Frank Freeland, the last retiring master, by Past-Master R. D. Connine.

After 40 years of membership, 38 of which were in Grayling lodge, John Leese was presented with a life certificate, nicely framed. The presentation remarks were made by Past-master Geo. Mahon. Mr. Leese was greatly elated over the honor and it goes without saying that he is proud of his record as a mason and of the tribute paid him by the members of Grayling lodge by the presentation of the life membership certificate.

After the initiatory work of the lodge, the members enjoyed a fine luncheon and speech fest. Many things were said of interest to the members and value to the order.

Pastmasters Dr. C. C. Curnelia, Wm. Curnelia and W. F. Johnson of Roscommon, were in attendance, as well as a large number of other visitors.

Past masters' night was a splendid occasion and will very probably be an annual affair in the future years of the lodge.

Tonight Efner Matson will retire as W. M. and join the realm of Pastmasters. He will be succeeded by Frank Sales, as W. M.

Grayling A. C. 24—Frederic A. C. 18.

Grayling All City, basket ball team, accompanied by a crowd of rooters enjoyed a sleighride to Frederic last Saturday night, where they went to play the All City team of that village. Our boys say the game was very fast and rough. The final score was 24 to 18, in favor of Grayling.

The line-up for the two teams were as follows:

Milnes.....R. F.....C. McDermaid
Doroh.....L. F.....Reynolds
F. McDermaid.....C.....Johnson
Shanahan.....R. G.....Smock
Hewitt.....L. G.....Waldo
Burton and Charlefour, Utility, for Grayling.

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We hope this year to serve you even BETTER than we have in the past. We shall make it our exclusive business to make the KRAUS store inviting and home-like to you when ever you call, and leave with you that feeling that you will come often.



To Our Customers:

While in the midst of the Christmas holiday season of 1917, we wish to take opportunity of thanking our many customers for the liberal patronage extended to us during the year just drawing to a close. It is indeed with feeling of deep gratitude we realize that our success is not so much the result of our personal endeavor as it is the continued patronage of our many friends and customers.

It is, therefore, with the utmost sincerity we grasp this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude and to extend to each and every one our heartiest and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and may the dawn of the New Year light your path to Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely,

H. Petersen

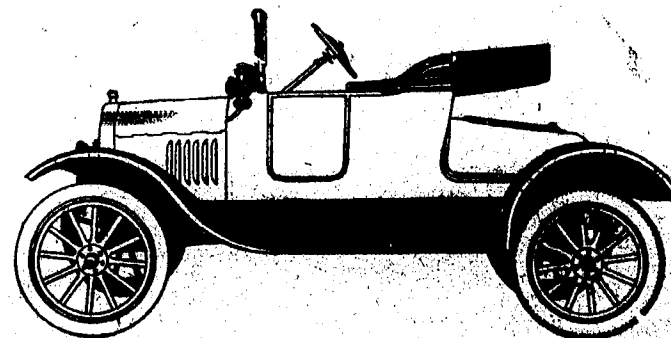
Grayling, Michigan

Your Grocer

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GEORGE BURKE, Grayling, Michigan.



DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY HALIFAX SHIP EXPLOSION



Above, the ruins of the Richmond railway station and docks near which occurred the explosion of a French ammunition ship that wrought such devastation in Halifax and its suburbs. Below, a view along Barrington street where every residence was burned to the ground.

WATCHING FOR SUBMARINES FROM BRIDGE OF DESTROYER



Scene on the bridge of an American destroyer in the east Atlantic, where the men are ever on the lookout for German submarines and other enemy craft. Each man wears his life preserver and is ready for any emergency.

ENEMY ALIENS MUST WATCH THEIR STEP



"Notice to Enemy Aliens" signs have been posted on streets and avenues along the waterfront in coast cities warning against trespass. Our subject, following the "get-out" order, must pick his steps while on a moving expedition to other quarters.

BRIEF AND BREEZY

The best strength comes from Russia. It is made from the giant sturgeon, which abounds in the Caspian sea and other waters of that country. For the use of bow-legs men a light, flexible frame has been invented to be strapped to a leg by a garter to make trousers hang straight.

To praise justly is to pay an honest debt; to flatter is merely a gift.

The following fruits, vegetables, etc., have been in cultivation over 4,000 years: Almond, apple, apricot, banana, bean, cabbage, cucumber, date, eggplant, fig, grape, olive, onion, peach, pear, pineapple, rice, rye, sorghum, turnip, watermelon and wheat.

In the lowlands of the delta of the Orinoco river the natives build huts suspended between trunks of Manilla flexuous, a palm. They also cut its fronds, its pitch, the juices and use the fibers of its leaf stems for making ropes, hammocks, etc.

WOOLLEN HELMET IS WARM



The boys in France who have thoughtful friends at home are wearing these warm woolen helmets which protect the head and part of the face. They are especially suitable for aviators.

Glorified Junk.

"The queerest thing about the war to me," said a junkman whose business runs into five figures annually, "is the fact that it has made even old tin cans valuable. One Iowa junkman who had been holding his stock of scrap iron, old brass, rags, rubber and paper for higher prices sold his hoarded junk at the end of the first year of war for \$100,000. Junk is tremendously valuable. Now attempts are being made to salvage the tin film on so-called 'tin cans' by melting them. Tin is very valuable as a war metal and the despised 'tin can' is becoming an economic asset where formerly it was a liability. Rags, tin and battered old copper, lead, brass, candlesticks, stoves and old newspapers, rubber, wires, aluminum and lead have doubled and quadrupled in price since the great war began."

Scent a Mystery.

Strange that story told some years ago about an ancient tree in a country town. Under it was once found the body of a woman clasping in her hand some wild thyme, says an exchange. Nobody knew her, and no wild thyme grew near. Yet afterward a strong, unmistakable scent of wild thyme was often noticed under the tree. The scent haunted the spot; people wholly ignorant of the circumstances could smell it, and would look for the plant which was not there.

RUSS RED'S SHIP BRINGS I. W. W. AID

BOLSHEVIKI FREIGHTER SAID TO HAVE BROUGHT \$100,000 TO DEFEND TRAITORS.

SEARCHERS FAIL TO FIND FUND

Another Search Will Be Made When Cargo Is Unloaded—Ship in Command of "Committee."

A Pacific Port—The Russian freighter Shilka, Captain Boris Dogal, which, unheralded, slipped into the harbor here late Friday night direct from Vladivostok, is under bolshevik control, it became known Sunday.

A number of the Shilka's sailors were fraternizing on the docks with a party of alleged Industrial Workers of the World, 21 of whom were arrested by federal officials and held for investigation. Among those taken into custody were 13 Russians. None of the sailors were arrested.

Shortly after the vessel's arrival, a report was circulated that she had brought a fund of \$100,000 in gold for defense of several scores of Industrial Workers of the World now awaiting trial in Chicago on conspiracy charges.

The United States district attorney here admitted he had heard of the report and federal agents searched the vessel, but found no gold, knowledge of which was denied by the captain and crew. Another search will be made when the cargo of licorice root and beans is discharged.

Following out Bolsheviki principles, the Shilka, it was said, is really under command of a committee of five, four sailors and one officer.

This committee has power to overrule any order of Captain Dogal at any time, but members of the crew stated that this unique division of authority had caused no trouble on the voyage across the Pacific.

Members of the crew have been forbidden to leave the vessel and 50 cadets from a naval training school, working in three relays under command of commissioned officers, are guarding the ship from the docks.

MEAT BARONS DEALS EXPOSED

Federal Trade Commission's Investigation Discloses "High Finance."

Washington—Sensational disclosures of "high finance" between the Chicago packers and the Stockyards and Terminal railroads are featured in the sessions of the federal trade commission's investigation to get at some of the innermost causes of the high cost of living.

Testimony showed how Armour & Co., as a bluff, told eastern financial interests that unless inducements were made, the big packers would move out of Chicago and pack in cities further west.

A \$2,500 clerk was the medium of forming an \$8,000,000 corporation, which took the risk of the yards being moved, and testimony showed how the packers in return, to use the language of one of the participants, got their share of "the plunder" and took their "pickings." Millions of dollars in profits were involved.

J. O'Brien Armour, it was said, got all the profits over 9 per cent. The profits were counted in millions.

PRUDEN ASKS SHOPS TO CLOSE

Fuel Shortage Prompted Step—Storm of Protest Aroused.

Washington—Fuel supplies in Michigan have reached such a low ebb that Administrator W. K. Prudden Friday asked manufacturers in state to suspend operations of industrial plants from midnight Saturday until midnight December 29. The only exceptions were factories making war munitions needed for prompt shipment.

His request aroused a storm of protest from manufacturers.

MUNITION WORKERS KEPT IDLE

Witness in Senate Inquiring Testifies Quibbling Held Up Production.

Washington—Workmen in arms manufacturing plants played checkers and slept in the shops during August while the war department quibbled over non-essential details of rifle designs. Fred H. Colvin, editor of the American Machinist, testified before the senate military affairs committee. A superabundance of requirements in rifle making is holding down production 40 per cent, he said.

Train Hits Custer Bus, 3 Dead.

Battle Creek—Three persons were killed and six injured when a Michigan Central train crashed into a bus from Camp Custer. Mrs. Ford Mahoney and her 5-year-old son Charles, and Mrs. George Horstall, all of this city, were dead. The injured are Mrs. George Newlands, Oliver; Ford Mahoney, Fred Hines, Mrs. Fred Hines, Sgt. Robert M. Anderson and William Bates. The crossing is guarded by a bell system which the gateman says was in operation.

Teachers Escape Income Tax.

Lansing—Under a ruling made by Internal Revenue Collector James J. Brady for Superintendent of Public Instruction Keeler, school teachers and all others in the public school system of Michigan are exempt from paying the federal income tax, no matter what the size of their salaries.

Soldiers Take Engineers Course.

Ann Arbor—The sanitary engineer's course has attracted 27 men, all of whom are enlisted.

Christmas Counter Attack



TELEGRAMS REVEAL LUXBURG INTRIGUE

ATTEMPTED TO FORM LEAGUE OF SOUTH AMERICAN NATIONS TO WAR ON U. S.

HAD SECRET WIRELESS PLANT

Expose of Kaiser's Double Dealing Considered Likely to Result in Argentine Declaring War.

Washington—Declaration of war against Germany by Argentina was considered almost certain in Latin-American diplomatic circles as the result of new evidence of German trickery, disclosed simultaneously in Washington and Buenos Aires.

Impetus was given the diplomatic situation by the publication of another series of telegrams between the notorious Count Luxburg, of Spurious Versenke fame, and Berlin foreign office.

An indication of the means used by Count Luxburg to evade detection in communicating with his government is found in one dispatch where reference is made to his fear that the "secret wire" had been discovered. Another refers to an interruption of his wire to Mexico.

A telegram dated July 20 last announced the completion of a "receiving plant" and asked for the way length of the great wireless station at Nauem.

Luxburg, former German charge in Buenos Aires, in a message dated August 1, last, informed his foreign office that President Irigoyen of Argentina had at last made up his mind to negotiate a secret agreement with Chile and Bolivia for protection against North America.

Another telegram intimated an attempt would be made to include Peru, the plan was to be perfected, according to the Luxburg communication of August 1, "before the conference idea is taken up again."

"The conference idea" is assumed to be the proposed Latin-American neutrality conference advocated by President Carranza and widely discussed in South America. The secret agreement referred to may explain recent South American reports of President Irigoyen's proposals for a league of South American nations.

The messages, 40 in number, were made public by the state department through an agreement with the Argentine government and were accompanied by a statement from Foreign Minister Puerreydon, in which he says the "inaccuracies" of the German charge report are so surprising that no epithet will fit them.

The messages were sent to Argentina soon after the state department gave out the first series in which Luxburg advised his government to sink Argentine ships without trace, but heretofore demands for their publication have been in vain.

The first series were transmitted through the Swedish legation at Buenos Aires, but the means of communication used for the latest batch sent during July, August and September, was not disclosed, except that some of the first series telegrams were included in ones made public last week.

Most of the correspondence given out deals directly with the negotiations then in progress over the sinking of Argentine ships by German submarines. Before the messages fell into the hands of the American government Germany virtually had settled the matter by agreeing to pay indemnity and to treat Argentine ships according to international law. The secret reports now reveal that Argentina on its side was not keeping its ships out of danger by not allowing them to sail for the war zone, an easy task in view of the fact that she had almost no shipping left.

Junk Men Taught Boys to Steal.

Detroit—Teaching boys to steal was the offense charged against Morris and Isadore Alpert, junk men sentenced last week by Justice-Heston to serve sixty days in the house of correction. Detectives say that the men broke up a football game and got 15 boys to steal 5,500 pounds of scrap steel from a freight car on the D. T. & I. railroad tracks. Five of the boys, appearing in court as witnesses, said they were paid amounts varying from \$7.30 to 25 cents.

Farmer Fined for Starving Horses.

Casopolis—William McGinn, wealthy farmer, was fined \$84.50 for keeping 18 horses without food and water. A hay stack and water tank had been placed in the field next to the pasture.

Recluse Freezes to Death.

Port Huron—Falling from his bed and too weak from lack of food to call for help, Joseph Parrish, 80, of Wales township, was found frozen to death by his neighbors.

GUSTER GETS SUPPLY OF SHOES

Arrivals of Two Carloads Relieves Footgear Shortage.

Camp Custer, Battle Creek—Arrival of two carloads of shoes has partially relieved the shoe shortage at Camp Custer.

About 10,000 pairs were in the consignment, and most of these were of the large sizes needed. However, this consignment is only about one-half the amount requisitioned.

Hardly had the cars been shifted on to the siding at the proper warehouse before the unloading and checking began, and almost simultaneously supply wagons drove up to the building and carted away the shoes to be distributed among the men.

BRITAINS WAR AIMS OUTLINED

Lloyd George Demands Restoration and Indemnity.

London—Premier Lloyd George last week gave in the house of commons Great Britain's minimum condition for peace. Briefly it is:

"There can be no lasting peace unless Germany gives security that the world will be safe hereafter from German aggression."

There can be no such security unless Prussian militarism is forever destroyed and unless the German government is democratized.

Supposing that these two fundamental conditions were fulfilled, which they are not, then to obtain peace the first thing Germany must do is:

"To restore completely all invaded territories and to make full compensation."

The premier said the future fate of German colonies should be left to the decision of an international peace conference.

"At that conference, however," he added, "the wishes, desires and interests of the inhabitants of the German colonies must be a dominant factor in the settlement of their future government." He continued:

"The future trustees of the German colonies must consider the sentiments of the people themselves—whether they may desire to return to their former masters."

"Mesopotamia and Armenia shall never be returned to Turkish rule."

"The success in Palestine will affect the world's history. Jerusalem will never be restored to the Turks."

KAISER SEEKS PEACE, REPORT

Information From Neutral Sources Indicates Drive Is On.

Washington—Germany's new peace drive is now on, diplomats here believe. With Russia to give the movement an added impetus, the Kaiser is staging another effort to make a favorable peace before the strength of America is thrown in the balance against him.

Circulation here of unofficial reports from neutral sources of the Kaiser's terms created much interest. Briefly they are:

To leave the disposition of Alsace-Lorraine to a plebiscite of inhabitants.

England to pay Germany for her lost African colonies and the money to be used for the rehabilitation of Belgium, Serbia, Rumania and northern France.

Russian provinces bordering the Baltic, the Black sea and Prussia to become independent under a German plan.

Poland to be called an independent state under Austrian suzerainty.

Disarmament, freedom of the seas and commerce to be left to the peace conference.

Rumania, Serbia and Montenegro to retain their original boundaries with right of access to the sea being granted to Serbia.

Turkey to remain intact.

State Suffrage Head to Resign.

Kalamazoo—When the annual convention of the Michigan Equal Suffrage association is held in Detroit January 15 and 16, Mrs. O. H. Clark, of Kalamazoo, who for the last four years has been president of the organization, will not be a candidate for re-election. Mrs. Clark has reached this decision because she wishes to be free to devote her entire energies to war work in France, whenever her husband and two sons, all of whom are in the service, are called to duty overseas.

Thief Poses As Repair Man.

Flint—Posing as a repair man for a power company, a stranger gained entrance to the home of W. H. Peck and when Mrs. Peck went to answer the doorbell, he escaped with her purse and \$35.

Knits 5 Sweaters in 16 Days.

Alma—By turning into the Red Cross five sweaters for the soldiers, knitted in 16 days, it is believed that Mrs. Harry Rockwell of this city has created a record for Red Cross workers.

KALTSCHMIDT AND AIDES GET LIMIT

DYNAMITE CHIEF SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS PRISON AND \$20,000 FINE.

OTHERS GET LESSER PENALTY

Were Tried in Federal Court for Plots to Hinder Production of War Material.

Detroit—Albert Kaltschmidt was found guilty by the jury in United States district court Saturday on all three counts of the indictments charging conspiracy to set on foot a military enterprise against Canada and interfere with interstate commerce by dynamiting the Detroit Screw-works and the Grand Trunk tunnel at Port Huron. Judge Arthur J. Tuttle imposed the maximum penalty provided by the laws at the time the offenses were committed, four years' imprisonment in the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., and a fine of \$20,000.

Both the women on trial with Kaltschmidt were found guilty and received the heaviest possible sentences. Mrs. Ida Kaltschmidt Neef, sister of the chief plotter, was pronounced guilty of taking part in the conspiracies against Canada and the Port Huron tunnel, and sentenced to serve three years in the Detroit house of correction and to pay a fine of \$15,000. Mrs. Maria Schmidt was found guilty only in the conspiracy against Canada, and received a sentence of two years in the house of correction and was fined \$10,000.

Fritz A. Neef was found guilty in the conspiracies against the tunnel and the screw works, and sentenced to the maximum penalty of two years in Leavenworth prison and to pay a fine of \$10,000. Carl Schmidt was found guilty in the conspiracy against Canada, and ordered to serve two years at Leavenworth and to pay \$10,000.

BANK HEAD SHOTS CASHIER

Argument Over Leadership Blamed for Killing.

Peoria, Ill.—Berne M. Mead, cashier of the State Trust and Savings bank of Peoria, was killed in a revolver duel with Edward A. Strauss, president of the bank, which took place at the institution Sunday.

Both men, wealthy and respected citizens of Peoria, are alleged to have quarreled a good deal lately as each considered the other a rival for supremacy in the bank.

According to police, Strauss would make no further statement than that he had trouble with Mead and "had to shoot him."

COAL THIEVES KILL DETECTIVE

Caught in Railroad Yards Three Men Open Fire With Revolvers.

Detroit—Discovery of three men attempting to steal coal from cars on Grand Trunk tracks at the junction with Woodland avenue, Hamtramck, about midnight Saturday, cost John Iganlak, a railroad detective, his life.

When the men found that Iganlak knew what they were doing, they opened fire at him with revolvers. The detective was wounded five times and died in Samaritan hospital early Sunday morning.

After the shooting, Iganlak crawled about 200 feet to his home, and collapsed on the doorstep. His wife immediately notified John W. Wozniak, chief of police of the Grand Trunk railway, who arrived in time to take the dying man's statement just before he became unconscious. He recognized two of the men.

46 DIE IN L. & N. TRAIN WRECK

Express Train Smashes Local—Worst Wreck Road Ever Had.

Shepherdsville, Ky.—Forty-six dead and 30 to 40 persons injured, some of them seriously, was the toll taken when Louisville & Nashville passenger train No. 7, from Cincinnati to New Orleans, last Thursday night crashed into the rear of a Bardonia, Louisville & Springfield accommodation train 500 yards south of the station here.

The wreck is said to be the worst in the history of the Louisville & Nashville.

Virtually every person aboard the accommodation, both crew and passengers, was either killed or badly injured. None of the passengers aboard the fast train was killed, though a number were injured. The locomotive was demolished and the heavy steel coaches making up the train were thrown from the track.

Wireless Course at U. of M.

Ann Arbor—On government request, President H. B. Hutchins and the executive committee of the board of regents of the University of Michigan have authorized a course in wireless telegraphy for drafted men who want to fit themselves for radio and buzzer operators in signal corps.

The new course will begin early in January. The government needs 15,000 signal corps operators. It is reported. No previous training is necessary for the men taking this course.

Skeleton Found in Gravel Pit.

Pontiac—Otto Giles, working for the road commission in a gravel pit near Holly, started a slide of earth which uncovered a skeleton of a man 6 feet tall, which had evidently been buried for many years. It was in a sitting posture.

Lever Slips, Breaks Man's Jaw.

Hastings—H. Snyder, of Irving, suffered a broken jaw when a timber he was using as a lever to raise logs slipped from his grasp.

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DECEMBER

The Fairies' Messages

By
Mary Graham Bonner



"The Fairies," said Daddy, "all thought they were going to have a wonderful party until the Fairy Queen said, 'There is work for us to do.'"

"Of course the Fairies love their work as they do their play so they smiled when the Fairy Queen told them there was work for them to do."

"And what is it?" asked Princess Twilight-Bell.

"Yes, tell us what the work is to be," said the Fairy Princess Joy.

"Shall we play and make music?" asked Fairy Ybab.

"Dear me," said the Fairy Queen, "How can I ever answer so many questions at once?"

"The Fairies laughed and then waited for the Fairy Queen to tell them what she wanted them to do."

"When the New Year comes," said the Fairy Queen, "We must plan new work."

"Oh yes," agreed all the Fairies.

"It needn't exactly be new," said the Fairy Queen, "but we must start off afresh in our work and get others to start off afresh too."

"We shall do that," said the Fairies.

"And," continued the Fairy Queen, "we shall all go forth today and whisper secrets to the Children."

"What sorts of secrets?" asked the Fairies.

"We shall tell them," said the Fairy Queen, "that to be happy they must be cheerful and pleasant. We will tell them to see how wonderfully it works—just to give it a fair trial. Tell them to get up every morning with a bright smile for everyone they meet. And then they will see how much happier it makes everyone."

"That's a splendid idea," said the Fairies.

"And Ybab with her Fairy orchestra will sing little songs while they sleep—and somehow or other when they wake up the next day they will

Another Year

Another year is now starting,
At midnight I heard the bells ring
Their final farewell to the old year;
Oh, what will the new year bring!

Shadow and then some sunshine—
Neither can always last;
Sorrow and pain and pleasure—
Just as the year that's past.

None can foretell the future,
It's hidden beyond our gaze;
But most of the year that's coming
Will be made of commonplace days.

Morning and noon and evening
Filled up with little things,
Days of rest and of labor—
These are what each year brings.

Go on then into the future,
With never a thought of fear;
Trusting the hand that leads us
To guide for another year.

—Grace Bulkeley.

be so happy. They will not quite know why—but we will know that it is Ybab's wondrous fairy music."

"Ah," smiled Ybab, "how happy that makes me! I always love to sing and play. I think I shall sing them a song like this, and Fairy Ybab waved her wand and sang:

"Music, music makes us glad,
"Crossness only makes us sad.
"So let's be happy, bright and gay,
"And then we'll love both work and play."

"That will be a fine song," said the Fairy Queen. "I am sure the Children will love it. Of course they will hear it while they sleep and when they wake they will have forgotten the words—but they will remember the meaning of the song."

"And when shall we start?" asked the Princess Twilight-Bell.

"Let's get started very soon," said the Fairy Princess Joy.

"Oh yes," said Ybab in her silvery voice, "I want to be singing all the time."

"That is the way you must make the children feel, Ybab," said the Fairy Queen. "They must feel so happy every minute. They must be joyful and have such good times and make every-



"Whisper Secrets to the Children."

one around them happy. Don't forget, little Fairies," she added, "to tell the Children to wake up every morning with a smile. That will be such a good start for the day."

"We won't forget," said the Fairies. "And off they went. All over the Earth they flew and they wore their invisible robes that no one can see but they went over every child sleeping that night they whispered the Fairy Queen's messages."

"Ybab sang her song, and before she had finished, a smile came on the face of each child who heard her."

"When the Fairies returned to Fairyland where the Fairy Queen was waiting for them, though she had been off on a trip too, they told her of their work."

"Ah," she said, "they will be happy now I feel quite sure, and though they may not know that the Fairies have been to see them, they will somehow feel better—and we know that it will be because of the Fairies!"

WHAT NEW YEAR'S SIGNIFIES

Time to Resume Another Journey of Life, Starting Out With a Clean Slate.

The need of getting a convenient division of time into days and years which correspond with the movements of the earth and sun is not sufficient explanation of the New Year's festival. That need is wholly mechanical, mathematical, and servicable. The mood of New Year's is not mechanical, mathematical, or servicable. It is wholly one of abandon and heedlessness.

It is such because the day represents an accounting and a sponging of the slate. Life needs renewed beginnings. It cannot lead away across unbroken and unmarked plains. It must have its definite stops, its prospects in the intimate future. The traveler must have in thought as he goes along the road a possibility of a comfortable ending of the day at an inn.

We seek constantly a realization of completeness, of a beginning, a middle, and an end. Life, which is formless, must have form given it. It must have its stopping places, where

IDEALS FOR THE NEW YEAR

By Dr. William DeWitt Hyde.

To weigh the material in the scale of the soul, and measure life by the standard of love.

To prize health as contagious happiness, wealth as potential service, reputation as latent influence, learning for the light it can give, power for the help it can shed, station for the good it can do.

To choose in each case what is good on the whole, and accept cheerfully incidental evils involved.

To put my whole self into all that I do and indulge no single desire, at the expense of myself as a whole.

To crowd out fear by devotion to duty, and see present and future as one and the same, and to be treated, and myself as I would my best friend.

To lend no aid to the foolish, but to let my light shine freely for all.

To make no gain by another's loss, and buy no pleasure with another's pain.

To have no thought of another which I would be unwilling that other should know.

To say nothing unkind to amuse myself, and nothing false to please others.

To take no pride in weaker men's failings, and bear no malice toward those who do wrong.

To pity the selfish no less than the poor, the proud as much as the outcast, and the cruel even more than the oppressed.

To worship God in all that is good and true and beautiful.

To serve Christ wherever a sad heart can be made happy, or a wrong will set right, and to recognize God's coming kingdom in every fastidious and cruel even helps men to love one another.

It relaxes by a fire and is genial. It cannot go on traveling without defined purpose, with no objective, with no aims inviting by the light through social windows. It must have objectives in the near prospect.

It seeks a definite and well laid out plan, a scheme, and, therefore, regardless of the need of dividing time into periods which can be used for the material needs of people, it makes periods which satisfy the demand for an objective.

The New Year's festival is an inn which folk reach at the end of a long journey. They sit a while and are merry. They take up their journey again.—Clifford Raymond.

Better Than a Happy New Year.

There are better things sometimes, than having a happy New Year. The lesson we learn in heaven of heart, the experiences which try our patience and test our strength, are after all, the things which make life worth while. If our friends' wishes for a happy New Year are not fulfilled, it is because God has something better for us.

Just Make-Believe

A New Year's Psalm of Life

If there isn't any pleasure
Waits for you beside the way,
If there's not a thing to grin at,
In your journey day by day,
If you've got your voice in singing,
For attuning up a row,
Don't you do it! Don't you do it!
Just be happy anyhow.

Just be happy, just be happy;
Take the fiddle and the bow,
Snuggle it up against your shoulder,
Timber up, and let 'er go,
Till the world is full of music,
And there's joy in every string;
Till you get all outdoors laughing,
And you make the echoes ring.

It's a duty you are owing,
To the world to shake your feet,
And to lift your voice in singing,
Till the music fills the street;
If the world is dark and gloomy,
If you haven't got a friend,
It's your duty to disengage,
It's your duty to pretend.

If you meet the world a-cripples,
Then the world will grin at you,
You can laugh the clouds to flinders,
Till the blue sky glimmers through;
If you feel that you're happy,
With your whole heart in the bluff,
Then, almost before you know it,
You'll be happy, sure enough!

SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN FAR OFF NORTHLAND.

ITEMS FROM THE OLD HOME

Resume of the Most Important Events in Sweden, Norway and Denmark—Of Interest to the Scandinavians in America.

DENMARK.

The city government of Copenhagen has issued feed cards for the 12,000 horses registered in the capital. Big horses are to have ten pounds a day, smaller ones seven pounds; and the small Iceland horses will have to get along with four pounds a day. In fact, the cards call for a mixture of oats and corn or oats and some other kind of small grain. What is needed over and above the rations must be procured by the owner. These rations are way below what the horses need when at work, and it is admitted that they must be spared as much as possible, because they do not get enough to eat. Poor animals! Even dumb brutes must suffer on account of the cussedness of man!

The free harbor of Copenhagen has been a great boon to Denmark. Now it is proposed to extend and improve the public harbor at a cost of \$12,000,000 or \$15,000,000. It is no new scheme, however. Former Harbor Director H. C. V. Moller has spent several years in perfecting the plans. The plans call for extensions both north and south, and new additions at Refshaleen. The work is so stupendous that it will require several years at the very best.

NORWAY.

The room famine in Christiania must be something terrible. A minister who wanted to rent four rooms for his family tells the following story: An advertisement offered just what he wanted, and he started to get the rooms. But 200 different parties had come before him. The wife of the owner of the house had heard so many pitiful stories through the telephone that she was overwhelmed and finally shut off the connections. Some parties had offered as much as \$400 as a bounty besides the regular rent, if they could have the rooms. Less than 20 years ago hundreds of speculators were completely ruined because they could not rent out new buildings which they had put up during a boom. That crash seems to have scared people to such an extent that they have gone to the other extreme with regard to the putting up of new buildings.

Hans J. Hansen has been known as one of the most prominent socialists in Tunde. Last summer he was engaged to unload the wood ordered for the commune at the Grennaker quays, and he hired boys to do the work for him. He paid them poorly, and thereby was able to make from \$10 to \$18 a day himself. The boys did not like this arrangement, and those who bought the wood also found out that they had to pay so much more for the wood. They finally decided to take care of the unloading themselves, and now Hansen has plenty of time to ponder over the difficulty of harmonizing theory and practice when money is in sight.

Capt. Roald Amundsen has returned all the decorations of honor conferred upon him by Germans on account of the manner in which the German submarines are treating the Norwegian merchant marine. Now Capt. Otto Sverdrup has followed the example of Amundsen. Captain Sverdrup wrote as follows to the German ambassador in Christiania: "In view of the numerous outrages perpetrated by the German navy against defenseless countrymen of mine, I beg your excellency to return to your government the enclosed Grand Cross of the Prussian Order of the Crown, which I herewith refuse to keep."

Vilhelm Krag, a noted author, has written a newspaper article in which he sizes up the Norwegian-Americans as a decidedly undesirable bunch of people. As might be expected, the Norwegian-American press has taken the man to task for his harshness. Prominent individuals on this side of the water have also been heard from on this very interesting subject.

A bunch of wounded Russian captives of war have been returned to Russia after having been cured. But they are all unfit for military duty. Some of them have learned to speak Norwegian fairly well, and they are all bubbling over with gratitude to the Norwegians for their kindness.

Thirteen Norwegian steamers of a gross tonnage of 19,092 were lost in November by causes arising from the war. Forty-one Norwegian lives were lost through the same cause. Up to December 1 Norway has lost about 800 ships in this manner. Norwegian papers assert that new and powerful ships are being sunk without trace.

Owing to the scarcity of houses the government of the commune of Kirkebo has resolved that no foreigners shall be permitted to live in the commune.

Jager's cannery in Stavanger is putting up sardines in lard and not in oil, as formerly. The result is satisfactory. In the northern part of the country train oil has been used, and those who have eaten the sardines claim that they are as good as when put up in olive oil. Owing to the embargo on the exportation of lard the sardines put up in lard cannot be exported.

Ole Hukum, a hotel keeper at Borgund, caught a salmon weighing 42 pounds in the Lardal river.

SWEDEN.

Sweden already is making preliminary arrangements for her trans-Atlantic commerce after the war. Four trans-Atlantic trading companies have recently been established, giving Sweden five large trans-Atlantic trading companies with a capital stock of about \$5,500,000. Transmarina Kompaniet does a large business with South America and has recently extended its trade to the United States and Russia. Nordeuropiska Handelskompaniet will import goods directly from transoceanic countries to Sweden, and will also establish organizations abroad for the sale of Swedish goods, especially in Russia, America and Asia, possibly by the end of the war. Another company is Svenska Handelsoch Sjöfartskompaniet, Stockholm. It has a shipping tonnage of about 12,000 tons, and will particularly direct activities toward tropical countries. Svenska Oceankompaniet was established last spring, and has its head office at Gothenburg. This company will open branch offices in foreign countries, where it intends to purchase products. Another recently organized company, to begin activities after the war, is Svenska Transatlantiska Kompaniet, Helsingborg. It will establish branch offices and storehouses in New York, Buenos Aires, Marseilles, Odessa and Riga, and will import grain and foodstuffs for the Swedish market and also open departments for export and shipping.

The railway department has issued rules for the saving of oil and gas on the railroads of the country. The lamps must be lighted as late as possible in the afternoon, and it is emphasized that the aim of lighting the cars is not to enable the passengers to read newspapers, etc., but to make it easy for the trainmen to control the tickets of the passengers and for the passengers to take care of their luggage. Only one toilet room is to be open in each car until the train approaches a station. Only one lamp is to be kept burning in each vestibule. The stations are to be lighted as dimly as possible. Acetylene gas is to be used to some extent, and a beginning has been made by lighting the invalid trains with this kind of gas.

What is known about the men in the new cabinet indicates that they will regard a policy of genuine neutrality as essential to the present and future safety of Sweden. Apart from this basic sentiment, they are all known as having strong leanings toward the side of the entente allies. Neither threats nor bribes can move them into an unwarranted break with Germany, but, on the other hand, they will be sure to put an end to future attempts at turning Sweden into a catspaw for Germany or placing the interests of their own people behind those of the domineering neighbor to the south.

Marcus Wallenberg, brother of the former Swedish foreign minister, and Gunnar Carlsson, president of the Trans-Atlantic Steamship company of Gothenburg, have been designated as Sweden's delegates to negotiate at London with American delegates regarding food supplies for Sweden, tonnage and on all questions connected with the situation. Ira Nelson Morris, the American minister, conferred at the foreign office regarding the situation.

The metric system has been the only legal standard of weights and measures in Sweden for the past 28 years. But in many crafts the old system of weights and measures is still in vogue. In the Boyggnadsvarlden, a periodical, a contributor points out the advantage of having a uniform system of weights and measures and proposes a general discussion for the purpose of devising some means of getting forever rid of the old systems.

A terrible accident is reported from the aviation grounds at Malmstätt. After a trip through the air Lieutenants Baron von Blüx-Pinecke and Baron H. G. Pfeil landed safely. But shortly afterwards the machine was wrecked by an explosion, and the flames finished the work of destruction. When people came to the place both men were not only dead, but their bodies were charred.

The Swedish government has taken steps to ensure the Göteborgs Af-fombland on account of an article appearing in that paper August 2. It contained strong and uncontrolled invectives against England.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Wallensteen, nee Gellhaar, who was once a noted opera singer, has celebrated her eightieth birthday. She became well and favorably known in the early sixties.

Lovers of coffee in Sweden—and they are many—feel pretty blue, as the supply of coffee is running very low and a further supply from abroad is not expected for some time.

The Swedish foreign office has denied the report published in Paris and elsewhere to the effect that the Swedish legation in Petrograd offered or is about to offer its services as intermediary between the bolshevik government and Germany. The Swedish minister to Russia, it is explained, joined with other neutral diplomatic representatives in acknowledging the receipt of Mr. Trotsky's note regarding armistice and peace negotiations, but this was merely an act of courtesy and nowhere involving recognition of the Leninites.

When Sugar Was Scarce.
In 1816 the price of sugar was about 20 cents a pound, and it is said that the amount of sugar refined in New York city at that time was less than 9,000,000 pounds, an amount which could be handled today by one refinery alone in 48 hours. One item of consideration in sugar distribution has always been the cost of barrels. An American Sugar Refining company now makes its barrels from its own wood-lard, turning out over 7,000,000 barrels per year, and using about 80,000,000 feet of timber.

What Well Dressed Women Will Wear



PROMINENT IN THE WINTER STYLES' PARADE.

People are flocking South in winter like the birds. Railroads have annihilated distance so that the Journey between lands of snow and lands of sun is measured by a few hours. The wonder is that anyone who can possibly help it endures the sting of Northern winters for months and months, especially as the genial South has many allurements besides its climate. Among them are the smart clothes that the fair Southern tourist indulges in.

This business of furnishing apparel for winter tourists' wear has become an important factor in establishing fashions and all womanhood is interested in the parade of styles at Palm Beach, Coronada and other centers where people of wealth assemble. The best things that money can buy are seen in these places and they tone up the dress of women all over the land.

For instance, the hat and bag to match shown in the picture above is one of many beautiful matches sets made in anticipation of the demand for smart and novel dress accessories which comes into a rush just about Christmas time or immediately after the holidays. Of course mildness of fashion is accompanied everywhere by her knitting bag, and she may have several of these indispensable made to wear with several hats. This set will be just as appropriate in the North as in the South. The small hat is of black tulle and is a simple affair.

medium length, are the best-liked styles in fur neck-pieces. This is only a general and rather vague description of the great variety of fashionable neck-pieces that smart women find indispensable in all climates. They are as much liked to throw about the shoulders at in-door affairs, after coats have been taken off, as for outdoor wear.

One of the cleverest new scarfs is made of Hudson seal, and is about a yard and a half long and in the neighborhood of fifteen inches wide. At each end of the scarf there is a small pocket, hardly discernible, but quite equal to keeping the hands warm. Along the edge of the scarf, on one side, there is a band of martin fur, four inches wide. It is only half as long as the scarf and therefore does not reach to the ends on either side. It protects the back of the neck and proves a becoming addition to this novel neck-piece.

Another novelty in the same combination is a short sleeveless mantle of seal skin with a wide shawl collar of martin. The mantle is merely a square cape at the back and front, joined at the shoulders.

In the group of neck-pieces shown above, it will be noticed that short tails of fur, along with legs and claws, have returned to favor as a finish; also that neck-pieces are scarfs that



BEST-LIKED STYLES IN FURS.

shirred over corsets. It is faced with a color and bound about the edge with gold braid. The small blossoms applied to it are made of ribbon and are lovely examples of millinery art.

The bag, in the shape of an old-fashioned basket, is made in the same way and its lining matches that of the hat. Its handles are of the gold braid lined with silk and it is flower-trimmed like the hat with ribbon flowers. The shape is a happy thought of the designer giving a quaint flavor of old times to a most up-to-date accessory.

Next to the natural shape of the fox pelt, with head, tail and legs, square capes and straight, wide scarfs of

look like capes, or capes that look like scarfs, lending themselves to a casual adjustment that is considered very chic. The square cape of kolinsky at the left has a narrow flat collar of the same fur. The scarf at the center is of Hudson seal with fox collar. At the right a longer flat scarf is shown, and this is developed in fox fur. It is liked for the rarer furs as well as sable, mink, martin. Ermine is at its best in small scarfs and collars or as a trimming on other flat furs.

Julius Bittmanly

The New Fur Scarfs.

In buying a new fur scarf it is well to inquire about those which can be wound about you, so as to make a sort of bolero jacket at will, or can be worn simply as a scarf, says the New York Herald.

The extra long scarf of fur, very wide, is the simplest, wound first about the waist to the back, then crossed and brought over the shoulder to the front, where it falls in two straight ends, fastened, of course, with an invisible snap or safety pin.

Some Pretty Trimmings.

Trimmings seen on silk and satin blouses include narrow tucks, colored pippings, and many buttons. Gold stitching and steel bead embroidery showed up attractively on waists of georgette, while a deep cream georgette had yellow china beads sewn on in rows, instead of following a floral or conventional pattern.

Navy blue is less seen on coats this season than is usual.

Japan's foreign trade is increasing.

1918

As we are about to embark on the new year, we have in mind our many patrons, whose faces are familiar in this store. During our years of business in Grayling many warm friendships have been formed, and the list grows as the years go by. To all these and to the people generally, we wish a very

Happy and Prosperous New Year

Sincerely yours,

A. C. OLSON.

Central Drug Store

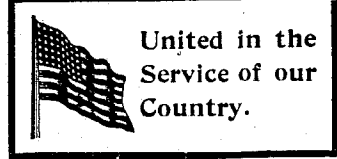
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TRUNK LINE FROM SAGINAW THROUGH CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Most Direct Route to "Top of Michigan," the Great Resort Region.

"The Top of Michigan," as it is popularly and correctly known, is annually attracting thousands who love the great outdoors, and this area is now destined to quickly become of the utmost importance, commercially and socially, to the entire state. It is the big high ridge or apex of the entire lower peninsula, upon the top of which nestles beautiful lakes, like diamonds in the setting, the source of pure cool waters that are fountain heads of the fine rivers flowing therefrom to every point of the compass.

RIVERS DEVELOP POWER.

Some of these rivers like the AuSable, Manistee, Tittabawassee, and others are developing substantial power and have nationwide reputation as being the finest of all trout streams in North America, and they are continually being generously replenished by the state fish commission.

Health, long life and pleasures are found in this favored region on Michigan's ridge, where clean, bracing air, filled with ozone perfumed with the odor of the pine and the balsam, sweeps "over the top" at a good high altitude above our lower valley. No

wonder therefore our state authorities accepted with alacrity, Rasmus Hanson's magnanimous gift of many broad acres about charming Portage lake for a magnificent park and military camp grounds in this alluring, healthful territory, which is yet nature's own and is destined to so remain.

BEAUTIFUL HIGGINS LAKE.

The lure of Higgins lake adjoining, with its charming emerald beauty, had every season captivated well known Saginaw and Bay City families for more than a generation past. A leading national journal, devoted to sport and healthful recreation, truthfully said recently that Houghton lake is in a class by itself for the fishing of walleyed pike, bass, and other fine game fish, and in fact is without a peer in the entire land.

Here too, are located, and for all time, the great forest preserves of Michigan, a perfect bird land where every pretty warbler known to the Wolverine state is found and in which much desirable other wild life useful to man is conserved, is now being liberally propagated by the state game commission to the fullest degree, so that elk, deer, ducks, pheasants, partridge, and other fine game will continually be in plenty also in all the adjoining woods, covers, and waters hereabouts. Houghton lake and St. Helen's lake unquestionably supply the best wild fowl shooting of any inland waters in Michigan, as many thousands of these rich dainty fished birds every season alight on their waters in "passing over the ridge" and will continue to do so as the appetizing food which the canvas back and mallard, and their kind love, is here in great plenty.

ATTRACTIVE, IMPORTANT CLUBS.
Flint has a very exclusive club property on St. Helen's lake and the cost of the membership fee alone, it is said would pay for several good sized Liberty Bonds.

Members of the Tahquamenon club of Saginaw, which has a big annual deer hunt in the upper peninsula, have recently secured a handsome wooded 40 acres on Houghton lake (only 70 miles from Saginaw as the crow flies) on which a substantial clubhouse will be built another season. Shapely pine, fir, oak, maple, mountain ash,

white birch, wild cherry and other graceful trees grow there on. As a bathing, fishing and hunting location it is unsurpassed. The beach is of clean white sand, gradually sloping out for a quarter of a mile. The site is high land, 25 feet above the lake level, on a sheltered bay overlooking the best fishing and hunting spot on this attractive water.

EASY TRIP FROM SAGINAW.

A Saginaw valley man can eat his noon meal at home and then with wife and family climb into the automobile, take an attractive easy drive following the winding scenic banks of the pretty Tittabawassee and Tobacco rivers, skirting big farms, crossing limpid trout streams, and then through the state forest reserve to a savory fish supper at the club at 6 p. m. with probably a swim, or even a little angling for the big fellows in the lake prior thereto. Already Senator Harvey A. Penney, treasurer of the club at Saginaw, has received by mail and phone many requests for memberships from citizens from other cities, who have quietly become cognizant of what is to come. The location chosen has already been christened "Wauigash" (Saginaw, spelling reserved) and the club membership fee as now fixed is but nominal.

Wild fruit of the most delicious kinds grow on this "Top of Michigan" in immense quantities, and wealthy resorters from Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cincinnati, and other big cities who have heretofore by trail, old log roads and otherwise reached the regions for real outings, have eagerly secured and taken back ample stocks of the very choicest of canned goods put up from fresh wild fruits, greens, etc., gathered here in climate and air that have given them pungent fragrance and a tang peculiarly their own.

WHAT IT MEANS TO CRAWFORD COUNTY.

A glance at the above map arranged by Trustee William S. Linton of the Michigan State Good Roads association, who has recently made for the association several automobile trips, to promote improved highways, over the routes indicated, shows immediately what the proper development of this territory north and west means to the state. Three of the most popular routes are shown, one via Gladwin, one via Standish, Rose City and Roscommon, the other from Saginaw to St. Louis, thence via Clara and Harrison. The route via Midland, Beaver-ton and Gladwin is the most direct, being 19 miles shorter than the shortest of the other two given, the distance from the Bancroft House, Saginaw to Prudenville, via this route being 90.2 miles as measured by speedometer. The Gladwin route is also the most picturesque and presents the least difficulties for permanent construction and maintenance being entirely free from bad hills or heavy grades.

RICH AGRICULTURAL TERRITORY.

These highways in their course pass through much rich agricultural territory and it would astonish last century's lumbermen to see the transformation from the old time pine forests to the fertile lands of today.

The thousands of tourists from the great populous states south of us will continue in the years to come answering the call of the great outdoors to pass through our state to the lands and waters of health, rest and pleasure to be found on "Michigan's Top." Many nimble dollars will be left by them on their way, at hotels, theatres, garages, stores of all kinds, etc., in fact every class of business, trade and industry must and will be eventually greatly benefited thereby.

Evolution.

1880

A man went forth with a two dollar bill And never a doleful thought. He gave the dealers a list to fill And this is what he bought.

- 3 porterhouse steaks.
- 1 bushel potatoes.
- 4 pounds butter.
- 1 ham.
- 5 pounds lard.
- 20 pounds sugar.
- 1 sack flour.
- 3 pounds sausage.
- 12 bars soap.
- 2 dozen eggs.

1900

A man went forth with a five dollar bill Five dollars was quite a lot; He gave the dealers a list to fill, And this is what he got:

- 1 peck potatoes.
- 1 pound butter.
- 2 pounds ham.
- 1 pound lard.
- 10 pounds sugar.
- 25 pounds of flour.
- 1 pound sausage.
- 6 bars soap.
- 1 dozen eggs.
- 1 porterhouse steak.

1917

A man went forth with a ten-dollar bill And worry, it filled his dome; He gave the dealers a list to fill, And this is what he lugged home:

- 1 pound potatoes.
- 1 ounce butter.
- 1-2 pound ham.
- 1-2 pound sugar.
- 1 teaspoonful of lard.
- 1 pound of flour.
- 1 sausage link.
- 2 eggs.
- 1 pound round steak.—Ex.

Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y. adv

Eldorado Nuggets.

A pleasant time was enjoyed by those who attended the Christmas entertainment at the Eldorado school house last Friday evening, which was given by the home school and the Weber school, jointly. The exercises were conducted by Miss Lorraine Bridges and Mrs. Bessie M. Richardson, the teachers in the respective districts.

James F. Crane and Boyd J. Funsch were callers in the Coy neighborhood Sunday.

Miss Lorraine Bridges left Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, near Grayling.

Mrs. Conrad Wehnes and children are at home with her parents for a few days.

Mrs. Bessie M. Richardson left Saturday to spend the holidays with friends elsewhere.

Red Cross Service Flags are now to be seen in a great many windows in South Branch township.

John W. Hartman, who is employed near the Lewistown branch, is home to spend Christmas with his family.

James Parmelee and family are entertaining relatives over Christmas.

Miss Margaret Foley arrived Monday from Detroit to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Foley.

Wm. Floeter of Coy was a business caller here Monday afternoon.

Coy News.

Miss Dora Nolan spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Marguerite Scott.

Miss Elizabeth Boughton of Mount Clemens came Monday to visit with her sister Mrs. Alvin Scott.

Miss Elsie Hollowell, who was teaching school at Stanton and who underwent an operation for appendicitis, was able Friday so her mother brot her home.

Ernest P. Richardson and Oliver B. Scott attended a Masonic meeting at Grayling last Thursday evening.

School closed in district No. 2 last Friday until after holidays.

A few of the young folks from this place attended the Christmas entertainment at Eldorado Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pearsall, Jr. of Canton, Ohio came home to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Oliver B. Scott and Mrs. Jas. Assum who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Grayling are home now and are getting along nicely.

Mrs. Florence Kovendy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Assum returned to her home at Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Albert Charron who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sophia McGillis, returned to her home at Frederic, Wednesday.

Mrs. James Peterson is on the sick list.

Howard Nolan, who has been working at Rose City came home Thursday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. John Floeter is visiting relatives in Detroit.

The Thirty-Second Division.

Here's to the thirty-second division, The boys with the iron jaw, For they came from states of ice and snow.

And the wind blows cold and raw. But we miss our deer hunting this fall.

Of which we are so fond; But the season is open on old Bill, And that's across the pond.

We have a bunch of miners, too, Husky, young and stout, And they are longing to cross that pond.

Just to dig those Germans out. And when they have them well dug out, No doubt they will shake with fear, Then our boys will drop them one by one.

Just like the panting deer. Our boys are witty all around, They've got sense, strength and spunk.

And anything they undertake, You will find they never flunk. They are right there with the rifle, A canthook or a saw.

They're from Wisconsin and Michigan, Where they wear the Mackinaw. Next in line are our river men, They can ride a log with ease, For they've broken many a jam at the risk of life.

When the logs did break and squeeze. They say their shoes are all cocked up. And they are waiting with a smile For the big drive that's planned for them.

On the European style. They have named us the iron jawed division, And that everybody knows, For we came from the north region Where the mighty pine trees grow.

Now since we have quit our good jobs, To go across to fight, We're going to clean those Germans up.

And we are going to do it right. Our boys are hearty, rough and tough. And have grown mighty powerful of late.

So prepare yourself, old Kaiser Bill, For almost any fate and usual table-spoon, I equals teaspoon, C equals cup, f. g. equals few grains, f. d. equals few drops.

Will see that there is nothing left undone, And I think you will never forget him, Bill. His name is General Haan.

—By Edward Welsh, Second Company, 107th Military Police, Camp MacArthur. Sent thru courtesy of Corp. Harry Hemmingson, Co. H. 125 U. S. Inf. Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas.

Dr. Humphreys' Admirers.
The followers and admirers of Dr. Frederick Humphreys, will be deeply interested in the New Edition of his Telling how to cure and treat the sick and ailing—mailed absolutely free on request, address Humphreys' Homeopathic Medicine Co., 156 William St., New York.

"WE WON'T WIN IF WE WASTE"

Tested Wartime Recipes

FOR USE IN MICHIGAN

To the Housewives of Michigan:

The following recipes have been prepared and tested at the Michigan Agricultural College under the supervision of Dean Georgia L. White, member of the executive committee of the Michigan food conservation service. They are practical, economical, and of first class dietary value.

They have been prepared with especial view to Michigan conditions—native products being utilized as far as possible, and market prices in this section of the country being taken into special account.

They lay down a practical method by which Michigan cooks may assist in the great movement to SAVE FOODSTUFFS. Use them. Help the cause. Help win the war.

GEORGE A. PRESCOTT,
Michigan Food Director.

LIQUID YEAST.

4 medium-sized potatoes, washed and pared; 1 quart hot water; 1 C sugar; 1 t salt; 1 cake dry yeast soaked in 1-4 C lukewarm water or 1 cake compressed yeast.

Grate or grind the potatoes directly into the water. (A food grinder is convenient for the purpose.) Boil five minutes stirring constantly. Wash potatoes. Add sugar and salt; allow the mixture to cool. When lukewarm, add the yeast. Keep at ordinary room temperature (about 70° F) for 24 hours, when it will be ready for use. This should be kept in a cool, dark place. An earthen jar or enamel ware pail is a good container for it and should be sealed before the yeast is put into it. One recipe makes six cupsful. 1 cupful equals 1 yeast cake.

If liquid yeast is used in making bread, it may be necessary to add a little more flour (1-2 C or 1 C) than the recipe calls for. In making bread a small amount of dough may be saved for use in place of yeast at the next baking. The same care, however, must be taken with it as with liquid yeast; it must be kept covered and in a cool place.

"OLD GLORY BREAD."

1 C rye; 8 C flour (white); 1 t salt; 3 T shortening (may be omitted); 3 C whole wheat flour; 4 C water; 1 yeast cake, or more according to the length of time allowed for rising.

Add salt and shortening to boiling water; cool to lukewarm; add yeast cake, dissolved in a little of the water. All flours mixed together and knead until smooth and soft. Let rise until double its size. Knead and shape into loaves. Let rise. Bake one hour. This makes four good sized loaves. "Old Glory Bread" is used much in France at present.

OATMEAL MUFFINS.

1-2 C milk; 1 C cooked oatmeal; 1 egg; 2 T fat; 1-2 C flour; 2 T sugar; 1-2 t salt; 4 t baking powder.

Cook oatmeal, using one part oatmeal to two parts water. A large proportion of water makes too soft a mush and gummy muffins. Mix milk, oatmeal, egg, and melted fat. Add dry ingredients after sifting them together. Bake 25 to 30 minutes. This makes 10 to 12 muffins. These muffins are not as light as plain muffins, but flavor is very good.

OATMEAL BREAD.

1 C milk and water or water; 1 t salt; 1 T fat; 2 T sugar; 1 C rolled oats; 1-2 C wheat flour; 1-2 cake compressed yeast; 1-4 C warm water.

Scald liquid and pour it over the rolled oats, sugar, and yeast, salt and fat. Let stand until lukewarm (about half an hour). Add flour and knead. Let rise until double its bulk. Knead again and place in a pan. When light, bake in a moderate oven from 45 to 50 minutes.

DATE BREAD.

3 C flour; 1-2 C sugar; 2 t salt; 6 t baking powder; 1 C bran; 1 C milk or water; 1 egg; 4 to 5 T shortening (oleo, Wesson oil, etc.); 1-2 C dates and nuts.

Mix and sift flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder. Add bran and fruit. Add liquid, add egg, and shortening. Bake in loaf.

SOUR MILK GINGERBREAD.

1 C molasses; 1 C sour milk; 2-3 C flour; 1-3-4 t soda; 2 t ginger; 1-2 t salt; 1-4 C melted butter.

Mix molasses, and sour milk, and add melted butter. Sift dry ingredients and combine mixtures. Beat thoroughly. Pour into an oiled pan, bake 25 minutes in a moderate oven.

DRESSING.

1-2 C sour cream; 1-2 t salt; 2 t pepper; Yolks of eggs grated fine; 1 t vinegar; 2 t melted butter.

Add ingredients to sour cream. Stir dressing well. Pour over the potatoes and egg whites, and mix well. Serve cold.

GRAHAM MUFFINS.

1-2 C graham flour; 1 C flour; 1 C sour milk; 1-2 C water; 1-2 C molasses; 3-4 t soda; 1 t salt; 2 T melted shortening.

Mix and sift dry ingredients; add milk to molasses and combine mixtures. Bake in a hot oven.

OATMEAL GEMS.

2 C rolled oats; 1-2 C sour milk. Let stand over night or at least 6 or 8 hours. Add 1 egg; 1-4 C sugar; 1 t soda; 1 C flour; 1-2 t salt. Makes 18 gems.

GRAHAM BREAD.

1 pt. sour milk; 1-2 C brown sugar; 2 t soda; 3 C graham flour.

NOTE.—In all of these recipes all measurements are level, and usual table-spoon, 1 equals teaspoon, C equals cup, f. g. equals few grains, f. d. equals few drops.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

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Thanking you for your liberal patronage the past year and soliciting a continuance of same

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The Pioneer Store

IBSEN'S "DOLL'S HOUSE" ON THE SCREEN.

Bluebird Photoplay Inc. is producing Henrik Ibsen's famous drama, "The Doll's House," as a five-reel feature, under the direction of Joseph De Grasse. This most celebrated of all the plays of the great Norwegian dramatist has been an immense success on the speaking stage, and has been played in almost every country in the world where the theatre is an institution. It has been translated into all languages.

In the film version the principal roles will be taken by Dorothy Phillips, who will enact Nora, and Lon Chaney, who will play her husband, with William H. Stowell in support. The play is receiving the most careful adaptation, and the settings and accessories will all be as painstakingly worked out as if the production were for a great Broadway theatre. The play is expected to duplicate the success as a motion picture which it has had as a speaking drama.

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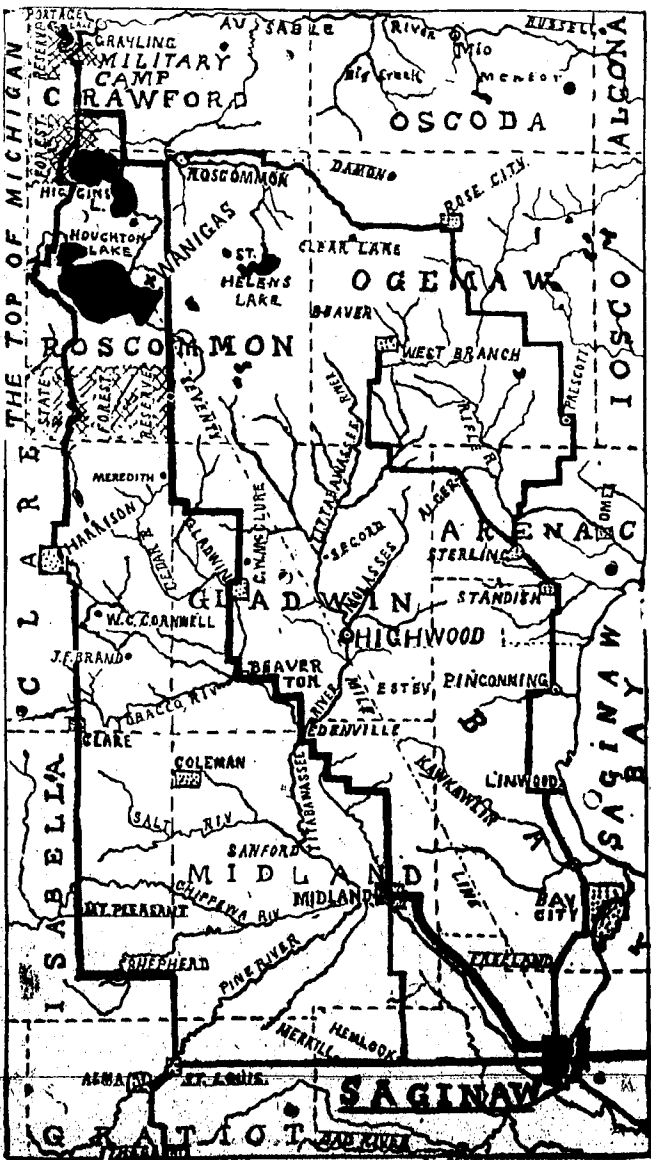
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Yours for business,

L. J. KRAUS



We would be ungrateful if we failed to express our appreciation for the patronage each and every one of our customers have contributed to this store during the present year just closing.

A. K. Lewis
Druggist

Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 27

Mrs. A. F. Gierke was in Bay City a few days the latter part of last week. Miss Beatrice Gierke is home from Flint spending the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Dolphus Charrois is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Brick of Flint, over the holidays.

Miss Marie Lovelly has returned from Lansing and expects to remain here for the present.

L. J. Miller of Sandusky, Mich. is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hubbard Head, now of Roscommon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hanson are entertaining Dr. and Mrs. Westcott and Hanson and Helen of Detroit.

Word was received last week of the birth of a baby son to Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bundgaard of Greenfield, Ohio.

There will be a dancing party at Temple theatre tonight, Dec. 27. Music by Clark's orchestra. Admission 75 cents.

Miss Florence Doty of Grand Rapids, is spending her holiday vacation with her sister Mrs. O. P. Schumann and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson left Sunday night for Detroit to spend Xmas with the S. S. Phelps and Emil Hanson families.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Campbell of Mt. Pleasant, are guests of Mrs. Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanson, over the holidays.

William Cody and wife, and Oliver Cody and family, entertained the gentlemen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cody of Boyne Falls, over Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fernon McDermid, Mrs. Wilson Barnes and daughter Marie all of Flint, visited at the home of Mrs. T. Jendron over Christmas.

Wayne Thompson, son of J. D. Thompson, has enlisted in the Michigan State guards, and is stationed in Detroit at present doing guard duty.

Edmund Shanahan was home from Camp Custer from Sunday night until Monday night, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Shanahan and other relatives.

Just before going to press the sad news reaches us of the death of Mrs. Martha Hill, an old and much loved resident of this city. Further details will be published next week.

We wish to thank one and all for their part in making 1917 the best business year in our history, also wish to extend the seasons greetings to all.

C. H. Hathaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Salling had as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Melstrup and children of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. John Pettit of Detroit. The ladies are remaining for an extended visit.

Fire at the home of Ross Davis, Christmas morning at about 9:00 o'clock practically wiped out the building. Most of the furnishings were removed. The building was insured and belonged to the Geo. Brott Estate.

All Rips Sewed Free of Charge

With orders for Half Soles

The largest and finest selection of

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Polishes and
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Also ARCH SUPPORTS
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Rapid Shoe Repair Shop

E. J. OLSON, Prop'r.
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Mr. J. K. Hanson is laid up with a sore limb the result of a fall which was not serious but painful.

There will be a New Year's dancing party at Frederic opera house, Monday evening, Dec. 31.

"Lightless nights" are planned by the Fuel Administration as an additional measure for saving coal.

Peter Jenson returned Sunday morning from a business trip in Saginaw, having been gone a few days.

Paul and Oscar Olson of Detroit are spending the holidays with their sister, Mrs. Guy G. Pringle and husband.

The number of men now being served by American Red Cross canteens in France is more than 15,000 a day.

Gasoline production in the United States has increased from 35,000,000 to 70,000,000 barrels a year since 1914.

Discarded civilian clothing of National Army soldiers will be shipped to Belgium for relief of sufferers there.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McInnis of Detroit arrived Saturday to spend Xmas with the latter's mother Mrs. O. Milnes.

W. H. Smith, a pioneer resident of Otsego county passed away Wednesday of last week at Cheboygan, where he had gone to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson of Detroit arrived Sunday morning to spend Xmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Raue and Miss Clara Nelson of Johannesburg, spent Christmas day with the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lars Nelson.

Don't forget that the local meat markets go onto a regular time schedule for delivering beginning Jan. 1. Try and arrange your orders accordingly.

Grant Shellenbarger of Flint was home over Christmas. He is working in the inspection department of Department No. 12 of the Buick Motor works.

Proposals to save coal by closing schools in Northern and Central States during January and February have not been met with favor by the Fuel administration.

Arthur Karpus who attends U. of M. at Ann Arbor, and the Misses Isabelle and Stephanie Karpus of Flint are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephan Karpus over the holidays.

In 12 hours after receiving news of Halifax disaster the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense had equipped a relief steamer and started it to the scene of the disaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier have returned from a delightful wedding trip, visiting New York and going by boat to New Orleans, Gulfport and other cities. They are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Bauman and family before taking up their home in Detroit.

John J. Coventry of Ortonville, was a guest of his daughter Mrs. S. S. Phelps and family a few days last week. While here he enjoyed meeting many of his old friends. Mr. Coventry was at one time Judge of probate and also treasurer of Crawford county and held many other minor offices here.

Mrs. Marius Hanson was hostess at a knitting party Wednesday afternoon, about twenty ladies being present. During the afternoon the ladies were surprised to have Santa Claus appear and take a gift for each guest from a Christmas tree. Most of the gifts consisted of hosiery, which immediately changed the affair to a trumpet party, and loud and long were the blasts. Delicious refreshments were served. Out of town guests were Mrs. Spencer Melstrup of Lansing, Mrs. C. C. Westcott, Detroit, Miss Doty, Grand Rapids.

Among those from away, who are attending the various Universities and colleges, the following are home to enjoy the Holiday festivities: Axel J. Peterson, M. A. C. Lansing; Arthur Karpus, U. of M., Ann Arbor; Stanley Insley, Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Ind.; Miss Ingrid Jorgensen, Loraine Sparks, Ferris Institute, Big Rapids; Miss Helen Bingham, Detroit Business University, Detroit; Miss Margaret Joseph, Normal school, Milwaukee; Miss Emma Mayo, Green Bay business college, Green Bay, Wis.; Harry Connine, U. of M., Ann Arbor.

Last week Sunday, C. S. Barber of Frederic, telephoned Sheriff Cody that there was a man in that town who was talking pretty strong pro-German. The sheriff went there and found the fellow who gave his name as Fred Wilhelm, and it appears that he had been quite insulting to the flag and to the American people. Before Sheriff Cody got thru with him he got down on his knees and kissed the flag, and was finally landed in jail, charged with being drunk. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 30 days in jail. In the mean time his case will be reported to the U. S. marshal, and thoroughly investigated. He is about 50 years of age and lived in this country 22 years, and has not taken out citizenship papers. He served in the German army and stated that since the out-break of the European war he has received communications from a German consul. Wilhelm had been employed in a lumber camp in Otsego county. His home was formerly in Manitoba.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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RED CROSS NOTES

Crawford County Red Cross Exceeds Quota.

Frederic put us over the top without any assistance from the rest of the county. We needed 63 members to bring us to the 800 mark. Frederic reports 67. Hurrah for Frederic and her able campaign manager, Mr. Jas. Kalahar. Reports are not yet complete.

In Grayling Mrs. L. J. Kraus leads in personal endeavor, reporting 15 members. Another week's time has been granted for the campaign. Let's make it 1,000 instead of 800. Be sure and extend an invitation to all the neighbors in your block. Don't lag because we have our quota.

Two weeks ago we were asked to make 50 helmets in one week. Mrs. McCullough did not wait for volunteers. She conscripted an army of knitters, immediately upon receipt of the order, and at the end of the week, shipped 52 hand made helmets and 26 purchased from a local dealer.

We need sewing machines. Can you spare your's for a while? If so report to Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

We want various societies to volunteer an afternoon each week for work at the Club rooms. The Altar society of St. Mary's Catholic church leads off by offering Saturday afternoon.

Work on surgical dressings will commence as soon as supplies reach us.

If you aren't a member, why not? If you can be and aren't, do you think you are just as patriotic as you might be?

Please send in names of new members as soon as you get them. We should like daily reports.

This is the honor roll of knitters, consisting of those who knit more than four articles toward our quota of 100 sets:

Mrs. O. Palmer, 4 sweaters, 1 helmet.

Mrs. S. N. Insley, 3 sweaters, 2 pairs wristlets, 2 trench caps.

Mrs. Walstrom, 1 sweater, 8 trench caps.

Mrs. Harry Simpson, 1 sweater, 1 scarf, 1 pair wristlets, 1 helmet.

Mrs. G. Smith, 2 sweaters, 3 pairs wristlets, 1 helmet.

Mrs. T. W. Hanson, 1 sweater, 1 scarf, 2 pairs wristlets.

Mrs. Stephan Karpus, 4 pairs socks, 1 helmet.

Mrs. J. Stephan, 4 pairs socks.

Mrs. Cody, 3 scarfs, 1 sweater.

Mrs. G. Larson, 4 pairs socks.

Mrs. Johnson, 2 sweaters, 2 helmets.

Mrs. L. J. Kraus, 2 sweaters, 2 helmets.

Mrs. C. Fischer, 24 pairs socks.

Mrs. J. K. Hanson, 14 pairs socks, 3 helmets.

Mrs. C. L. Smith, 2 sweaters, 1 scarf, 22 pairs wristlets.

Mrs. N. Olson, 2 sweaters, 1 scarf, 5 pairs wristlets, 4 helmets.

Mrs. R. Hanson, 1 scarf, 13 helmets.

Mrs. E. Sorenson, 1 scarf, 4 sweaters, 1 pair socks, 2 helmets.

Mrs. M. Anderson, 8 pairs socks.

Mrs. O. Michelson, 2 sweaters, 2 helmets, 3 pairs wristlets, 1 scarf.

Mrs. P. Nelson, 5 pairs socks, 2 helmets.

Mrs. Victor Salling, 5 pairs socks, 2 helmets.

Miss Kristine Salling, 1 sweater, 1 scarf, 1 pair wristlets, 1 helmet.

In The Churches.

Appropriate services were held in the different churches of our city during the Christmas tide. The Danish Lutheran church began their services Christmas Eve and also held services Christmas morning. The Christmas services of the M. E. church were held on the Sunday morning previous at Danebod hall. For Christmas services at St. Mary's church, a solemn High mass was said at midnight in the Mercy hospital chapel and almost before daylight. Christmas bells rang over calling the faithful to prayer.

Two High masses were celebrated at 6:00 and 9:00 o'clock respectively, the usual choir rendering special music assisted by Mr. Frank Anstett as violinist. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament took place after the 9:00 o'clock service.

On Christmas Eve the M. E. church held their annual Christmas tree and exercises at Danebod hall. A splendid program was given, and all of the children taking part did finely. The Danish Lutheran church held their Christmas tree last evening also at Danebod hall, to which the congregation and others were invited. Much merriment was had as usual by the children.

POTATO AND CELERY HASH.

1 medium-sized boiled potatoes; 1-2 t salt; 1-2 C cut celery; 1 T butter.

Mix cold potatoes and finely cut celery. Add salt, melted butter and stir together. Place in hot oven and brown. Stir occasionally until celery is well cooked.

MAYONNAISE DRESSING.

1 egg; 1-2 C Wesson oil, corn oil, or olive oil; 1 t salt; 1-2 t pepper; 1 T vinegar.

Break egg in a bowl. Add acid, salt, pepper, and two tablespoons oil. Beat thoroughly. Add remaining oil beating constantly.

POTATOES A LA GOLDENROD.

Cut 1 cup boiled potatoes into cubes. Separate yolks from whites of four hard boiled eggs. Chop the whites and force the yolks through a potato ricer or strainer. Add potato.

Add white sauce. Serve on toast if desired.

"A short saying often carries much wisdom."

"We believe at this time—between Christmas and the New Year—people in general are busy with other affairs than merchandising.

"Yet we wish at this time to express our appreciation of the many favors this store has received from you—our customers. Our store keeps steadily busy watching the markets and conditions so that when the various seasons arrived we were able to present our patrons with such goods as these unusual times would permit us to acquire, and at prices that would protect your pocketbooks as well. We tried hard to do this for you, and we have received our reward by your ever loyal and steady patronage. We are duly grateful to you all. At the closing of the year 1917, we want to extend our

Best Wishes for Your
Happiness and Prosperity
During 1918.

Grayling Mercantile Co.

"The Quality Store"

Letter From Daniel Cavanaugh.

Waco Texas,
Dec. 11, 1917.

Dear Grandma and all:—

It is with pleasure that I answer your most kind and welcome letter, which I received yesterday, and I was more than pleased to hear from you and to hear that you are all well, as this letter leaves me at present.

You ask me if I got the box you sent me, yes I wrote to you and told you a few days ago, but I guess you didn't get the letter yet.

It seems as tho I was working in the woods today; I was digging ditches, and I tell you my back is pretty sore tonight. I am not used to that and I tell you it was pretty hard work for me. We are having a little cold weather here now but not bad.

Grandma I was down town last night and had my picture taken and I guess I will get them about next Tuesday or Wednesday and as soon as I get them I will send you one; I will try and send them all one if I can but I want to send one to my aunts in Detroit and LeClair so I don't know if I can send them all one at home. I tell you that pictures cost quite a lot here, I paid \$3.00 for one dozen and I tell you they are pretty small. And Grandma I will tell you something and I don't want it to surprise you, the officers here told all us boys the other day that we were going across to France in a couple or three weeks; but I don't believe it. I don't know if it is true or not, but I don't want you to worry about me because I like it all right now and I am satisfied, I am going there. We won't fight right away but I would like to get that Kaiser once and raise him with him. It will be quite a long time before you hear from me, if we go across but I will write as often as I can. I don't know if I ought to send you my watch or not the other one don't seem to keep very good time, but I didn't regulate it and I guess it would be all right if I would. And Grandma I am going to try and go to confession Saturday. I go to church every Sunday and I was going to confession last Saturday night but I was on guard and then I couldn't go, but I am trying to go so don't worry.

Well I guess I will have to close for this time so good-bye, answer as soon as you get this letter. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Your loving Grandson,

Daniel Cavanaugh,
Bat. F, 119th F. A. Camp MacArthur, Waco Texas

For Doubters.

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Service Flag Donated.

The Altar Society donated a Service Flag to St. Mary's Catholic Church which is displayed in front of the church. The Flag already contains fourteen stars, denoting that fourteen members of St. Mary's congregation are enlisted in some branch of the U. S. Army Service. This Flag is to contain the members of the congregation of Grayling, Roscommon and Frederic. The sincere thanks of the members of the respective congregations are hereby tendered to the members of the Altar Society of St. Mary's Church. The "honor roll" of the "service flag" is hung in the vestibule of the church.

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A New and Unwelcome Member Is Admitted to the In-or-In

By BOOTH TARKINGTON

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But George did. It is difficult to imagine how cause and effect could be more closely and patiently related. Inevitably, George did come poking around. How was he to refrain when daily up and down the neighborhood, the brothers strutted with mystic and important airs, when they whispered together and uttered words of strange import in his presence? They did their best to keep George at a distance, yet they could not refrain from posing before him. They wished to impress upon him the fact that he was an outsider, and they succeeded in rousing his desire to be an insider, a desire which soon became a determination. For few were the days until he not only knew of the shack but had actually paid it a visit. That was upon a morning when the other boys were in school, George having found himself idly idled until about ten o'clock, when he was able to take nourishment and subsequently to interest himself in this rather private errand. He climbed the Williams' alley fence, and having made a modest investigation of the exterior of the shack, which was dislodged, retired without having disturbed anything except his own peace of mind. His curiosity, merely piqued before, now became ravenous and painful. It was not allayed by the mystic manners of the members or by the unnecessary emphasis they laid upon their coldness toward himself; and when a committee informed him darkly that there were "secret orders" to prevent his coming within "a hundred and sixteen feet"—such was Penrod's arbitrary language—of the Williams' yard, "in any direction," George could bear it no longer, but entered his own house, and in burning words, laid the case before a woman higher up. Here the responsibility for things is directly traceable to grown people. Within that hour, Mrs. Bassett sat in Mrs. Williams' library to address her hoarse upon the subject of George's grievance.

"Of course, it isn't Sam's fault," she said, concluding her interpretation of the affair. "George likes Sam, and didn't blame him at all. No; we both felt that Sam would always be a polite, nice boy—George used those very words—but Penrod seems to have a very bad influence. George felt that Sam would want him to come and play in the shack if Penrod didn't make Sam do everything he wants. What hurt George most is that it's Sam's shack, and he felt for another boy to come and tell him that he mustn't even go near it—well, of course, it was very trying. And he's very much hurt with little Maurice Levy, too. He said that he was sure that even Penrod would be glad to have him for a member of their little club if it weren't for Maurice—and I think he spoke of Roddy Blits, too."

The fact that the two remaining members were colored was omitted from this discourse, which led to the deduction that George had not mentioned it.

"George said all the other boys liked him very much," Mrs. Bassett continued, "and that he felt it his duty to join the club, because most of them were so anxious to have him, and he is sure he would have a good influence over them. He really did speak of it in quite a touching way. Mrs. Williams. Of course, we mothers mustn't brag of our sons too much, but George really isn't like other boys. He is so sensitive, you can't think how this little affair has hurt him. And I felt that it might even make him ill. You see, I had to respect his reason for wanting to join the club. And if I am his mother—I must say that it seems noble to want to join not really for his own sake but for the good he felt his influence would have over the other boys. Don't you think so, Mrs. Williams?"

Mrs. Williams said that she did, indeed. And the result of this interview was another, which took place between Sam and his father that evening. For Mrs. Williams, after talking to Sam herself, felt that the matter needed a man to deal with it. The man did it man-fashion.

"You either invite George Bassett to play in the shack all he wants to," said the man, "or the shack comes down."

"But—"

"Take your choice, I'm not going to have neighborhood quarrels over such—"

"But, papa—"

"That's enough! You said yourself you haven't anything against George. I said—"

"You said you didn't like him, but you couldn't tell why. You couldn't state a single instance of bad behavior against him. You couldn't mention anything he ever did which wasn't what a gentleman should have done. It's no use, I tell you. Either you invite George to play in the shack as much as he likes next Saturday, or the shack comes down."

"But, papa—"

"I'm not going to talk any more about it. If you want the shack pulled down and hauled away, you and your friends continue to tantalize this insignificant little boy the way you have been. If you want to keep it, be polite and invite him in."

"But—"

"That's all, I said!"

Sam was crushed.

Next day he communicated the bit of substance of the edict to the other members, and gloom became universal. So serious an aspect did the affair present that it was felt necessary to call a special meeting of the order after school. The entire membership was in attendance; the door was closed, the window covered with a sheet, and the candle-lighted. Then all of the brothers—except one—began to express their sorrowful appre-

hensions. The whole thing was spoiled, they agreed, if George Bassett had to be taken in. On the other hand, if they didn't take him in, "there wouldn't be anything left." The one brother who failed to express any opinion was little Verman. He was otherwise occupied.

Verman had been the official paddler during the initiations of Roddy Blits and Maurice Levy; his work had been conscientious, and it seemed to be taken by consent that he was to continue in office. An old shingle from the woodshed roof had been used for the exercise of his function in the cases of Roddy and Maurice, but this afternoon he had brought with him a new one, which he had picked up somewhere. It was broader and thicker than the old one, and during the melancholy prophecies of his fellows, he whittled the lesser end of it to the likeness of a handle. Thus engaged, he bore no appearance of despondency; on the contrary, his eyes, shining brightly in the candlelight, indicated that eager thoughts possessed him, while from time to time the sound of a chuckle issued from his simple African throat.

Gradually the other brothers began to notice his preoccupation, and one by one they fell silent, regarding him thoughtfully. Slowly the darkness of their countenances lifted a little; something happier and brighter began to glimmer from each boyish face. All eyes remained fascinated upon Verman.

"Well, anyway," said Penrod, in a tone that was almost cheerful, "this is only Tuesday. We got pretty near all week to fix up the 'n'ishlation for Saturday."

And Saturday brought sunshine to make the occasion more tolerable for both candidate and the society. Mrs. Williams, going to the window to watch Sam, when he left the house after lunch, marked with pleasure that his look and manner were sprightly as he skipped down the walk to the front gate. There he paused and yodeled for a time. An answering yodel came presently; Penrod Schofield appeared, and by his side walked George Bassett. George was always neat, but Mrs. Williams noticed that he exhibited unusual gloss and polish today. As for his expression, it was a shade too complacent under the circumstances, though, for that matter, perfect tact avoids an air of triumph under any circumstances. Mrs. Williams was pleased to observe that Sam and Penrod betrayed no resentment whatever; they seemed to have accepted defeat in a good spirit and to be inclined to make the best of George. Indeed, they appeared to be genuinely excited about him—it was evident that their cordiality was eager and wholehearted.

The three boys conferred for a few moments; then Sam disappeared round the house and returned, waving his hand and nodding. Upon that, Penrod took George's left arm, Sam took his right, and the three marched off to the backyard in a companionable way which made Mrs. Williams feel that it had been an excellent thing to interfere a little in George's interest.

Experiencing the benevolent warmth that comes of assisting in a good action, she ascended to an apartment upstairs, and for a couple of hours, employed herself with needle and thread in sartorial repairs on behalf of her husband and Sam. Then she was interrupted by the advent of a colored serving-maid.

"Miz Williams, I reckon the house gals' fall down," said this pessimist, arriving out of breath. "That 'sisty o' Miz Sam's suttently tryin' to pull the roof down on ow' heads!"

"The roof?" Mrs. Williams inquired mildly. "They aren't in the attic, are they?"

"No'm; they in the cellar, but they reachin' for the roof! I new'd did hear no such a rumpus an' squawkin' an' squawkin' an' fallin' an' whoopin' an' whackin' an' bounin'! They troop down by the outside celluh do, ne'en bounin'—they bus' loose, an' been goin' on ev' since, wuss'n Bedlam! Ef they anything down celluh ain't broke by this time, it can't be only jes' the foundashun, an' I bet that ain't goin' stan' much longer! I'd gone down an' stop 'em, but I'm 'fraid to. Hones, Miz Williams, I'm 'fraid o' my life go down there, all that 'celluh goin' on. I thought I c'd see what you say."

Mrs. Williams laughed.

"Well, have to stand a little noise in the house sometimes, Fanny, when there are boys. They're just playing, and a lot of noise is usually a pretty safe sign."

"Yes'm," said Fanny. "It's yo' house, Miz Williams, not mine. You want 'em tear it down, I'm willin'."

She departed, and Mrs. Williams continued to sew. The days were growing short, and at five o'clock she was obliged to put the work aside, as her eyes did not permit her to continue it by artificial light. Descending to the lower floor, she found the house silent, and when she opened the front door to see if the evening paper had come, she beheld Sam, Penrod and Maurice Levy standing near the gate engaged in quiet conversation. Penrod and Maurice departed while she was looking for the paper, and Sam came thoughtfully up the walk.

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FRANK SAYS

Well, people, I've had my ups and downs the past year. But when I say, "Thank the Lord I'm living," when I consider the rocky roads I have passed over to meet Success. Did I say? Well that's putting it mild. I always did have the opinion business will buck and is hard to control at its best many times. The old saying 99 out of a 100 fail, pretty small chance isn't it? Many say they like to read that Dreese stuff, others say they think it's odd, others declare I'm surely Johnnie-on-the-Spot. Oh, the advertising! Then a phantom flies in at the door, shape of an advertising solicitor. Tries to tell me how more or less my personal reasons that my advertising means more bread for their butter.

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Description of land situated in Crawford County, State of Michigan. The East half of the Northwest quarter of Sec 34, Town 28N, Range 1W. Amount paid \$7.95 tax for year 1913.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$20.90 to which must be added the fees of the sheriff. Yours respectfully,
Henry A. Bauman.

Place of business: Grayling, Mich. Dated October 29, A. D. 1917.
To Samuel H. Crowl, James Davidson, Margaret Davidson and Ebenezer J. Wright. Grantees under the last recorded deed, in the regular chain of title, to said land.

John P. Phillips mortgagee, named in all undischarged recorded mortgages on said land.
Proof of failure of service.
State of Michigan } ss.
County of Crawford }
I do hereby certify and return, that after making careful inquiry and search I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or postoffice address of Samuel H. Crowl, James Davidson, Margaret Davidson and Ebenezer J. Wright and John P. Phillips, or either of any of them.
Dated December 3rd, 1917.
W. H. Conv. Sheriff of said county.

Notice To Our Subscribers.

Because of business reasons it is either necessary to increase the subscription rate to the Avalanche or reduce the size and quality or take some other action to insure its financial success.

Neither of the first two plans appeal to us, and therefore for the present we have decided that beginning January 1, every subscription must be paid in advance. This will eliminate collection expenses and avoid losses that sometimes occur. January 1, all subscriptions not paid in advance will be discontinued. In the future ample notice will be given before your subscription expires.

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Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default having been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the twenty-eighth day of August, A. D. 1916, by Cora Stephan of the Village of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan. Mortgagee unto Holger Hanson and Jake Hanson, of the same place, mortgages which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, of Crawford County, in Liber G, of Mortgages, on pages 194 and 195, Von August 30th at 2 o'clock p. m.

And whereas said mortgage has been duly assigned to Oscar Palmer, by assignment bearing date of the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1917, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford, February 23d A. D. 1917 in Liber F of mortgages on page 543, at 3 o'clock p. m., and the same is now owned by him.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder therefor at the front door of the court house, in the village of Grayling, Michigan, (that being the place of holding the circuit court for said county) on the ninth day of March, A. D. 1918 at 10:00 o'clock of said day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section five (5) in town twenty six (26) north of range two (2) west containing sixty (60) acres of land. Saving two (2) acres more or less heretofore deeded to Daniel Mosher of the same place in Crawford County Michigan.

Dated December 11th 1917
Oscar Palmer
Assignee of mortgage,
Oscar Palmer
Attorney for Assignee.
Business Address, Grayling Mich.
12-13-13

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The Northwest (N. W. 1/4) fractional quarter of Section one (1), township Twenty-six North (26N), Range Three (3) West, containing 138.17 acres more or less.

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